

THE BENNINGTON EVENING BANNER

FOURTEENTH YEAR

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BENNINGTON, VT., MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1917.

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President Wilson Has Not Kept This Country Out of War But, so Far, He Has Kept Theodore Roosevelt Out of It—Acheson Globe

BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel—are a mild but sure laxative, and their effect on the liver is almost instantaneous. They are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. His efforts to banish it brought out these little olive-colored tablets.

These pleasant little tablets do the good that calomel does, but have no bad after effects. They don't injure the teeth like strong liquids or calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel sometimes plays havoc with the gums. So do strong liquids. It is best not to take calomel, but to let Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets take its place.

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Bennington County Forest, Fish and Game Association

Bennington Section Green Mountain Club
Bennington, Vt. October 30th, 1917

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ITALIAN ARMY SHATTERED BY GERMAN DRIVE

Berlin Claims 100,000 Have Been Captured

GORIZIA IS RETAKEN

Rome Admits Its Second Army Either Retreated or Surrendered Without Resistance.

London, Oct. 29.—The Austro-German armies under the command of Emperor Charles, who has as his chief assistant the brilliant Field Marshal von Mackensen, are shaking the entire Italian line from the Julian Alps region to the Adriatic sea. Having pressed back the Italians at several points upon Italian soil, the combined enemy forces have now pushed forward on the Italian left wing and captured Cividale, northeast of Udine, and are nearing the plains beyond. In addition, the Austrian town of Gorizia, a point of great strategic value on the Isonzo river, has been retaken from the Italians.

According to the latest Berlin official communication, 100,000 Italians have been made prisoner and more than 700 guns have fallen into Austro-German hands. The 2d and 3d Italian armies are declared to be in retreat. Rome admits the falling back of the 2d army, asserting that cowardice similar to that shown by the Russians in Galicia was exhibited in the face of the foe, the Italians surrendering or retreating without giving battle, permitting the breaking of the left wing and thereby offering easy access to the town of Cividale. Prior to falling back, however, the Italians destroyed all their depots and stores and Cividale was on fire when the Austro-Germans entered it. Possibly the Italians in this region, who are declared by Rome to be retreating to the prepared positions on the plains, will turn about and meet the enemy in open-country fighting, if they do not and the enemy is able to keep up westward the fast pace that has been maintained since the start of the operation the greater part of the Italian forces along the northeastern line will be threatened with capture. The situation is so grave that a special meeting of the French cabinet has been held for the purpose of deciding upon the question of allied co-operation on the Italian front.

Cividale is a town of about 5000 in Friuli, nine miles northwest of the important railroad center of Udine. It is near the entrance to the valley of the Natisone river, along which the Austro-German forces which broke the Italian line in the Tolmino region have battered their way. Cividale is in the foothills of the Julian Alps, beyond which lie the plains of northern Italy.

Gorizia was captured by the Italians on August 9, 1916 at the time of the synchronous offensive of the allies on the French, Gallician and Italian fronts. The Italians took about 20,000 prisoners in the city. The capture of Gorizia was one of the most important successes of Italy's campaign against Austria. It is a town of 31,000 inhabitants on the Isonzo halfway down the present Austro-German front of attack between Tolmino and the sea. It is strongly situated among hills of great defensive value, in which there was heavy fighting before the Italians reached the city itself. Gorizia is 22 miles northwest of Trieste, Austria's big seaport at the head of the Adriatic, the capture of which is one of the principal Italian aspirations in the war.

AMERICA'S FIRST SHOT

Announcement Creates Enthusiasm in London.

London, Oct. 28.—News that the American troops had fired their first shot of the war on the western front took the place of honor in the Sunday papers with the first American official statement from Paris. The announcement was received with great enthusiasm by the American Congressmen who are here. They said it would carry profound satisfaction to the people of America.

Telling of the event, the correspondent of the Weekly Dispatch says:

"The Allies are extremely fortunate in having American troops take a place in the line at a comparatively quiet time of the year. During the winter they will have ample opportunity of mastering the intricacies of trench warfare which never can be taught satisfactorily behind the lines. Within four or five months they should become seasoned troops and the Allies confidently look to a great display when they go over the top."

Liberty Bonds

Bennington's Minimum... \$388,000
Bennington's Maximum... 644,000
Subscriptions Announced... 700,500
Above Minimum... \$312,500
Above Maximum... 56,500

Honor's Call Has Been Heard

MEETING IN COURT HOUSE

Federal Land Bank to Organize Local Branch Wednesday.

There will be a meeting at the court house at 10.30 a. m. for those interested in the organization of a local branch of the Federal Land Bank of Springfield. Erwin H. Forbush of the bank will be present to discuss plans and if possible organize a local association. Any farmer interested should plan to be present as it takes at least ten members with a minimum loan of \$20,000 to organize.

Anyone coming with the intention of joining should bring information regarding deeds, insurance papers, and mortgages, if any exist as this will help them in making out their application.

DEATH OF NEWSPAPER MAN

John B. Taylor of Burlington Daily News Died in Denver.

St. Albans, Oct. 26.—News was received here yesterday of the death of John B. Taylor, aged 45 years, at Denver, Colorado. He had been in Denver about a week, having gone there for the benefit of his health, being a sufferer from tuberculosis.

Mr. Taylor was born in St. Albans and was on the editorial staff of the St. Albans Messenger many years. In September, 1911, he went to Burlington to enter the employ of the Burlington Free Press and was employed on the editorial staff of that paper at two separate periods, meanwhile being engaged by a Burlington bank for one year. He was a director of the newly re-organized Burlington News Co., and was business manager of that paper until obliged to give up on account of ill health.

Mr. Taylor leaves his wife; his mother, Mrs. Lucy B. Taylor of Pithers, Mass., and a half-brother, Dorsey Taylor of St. Albans.

VERMONT SENDS \$10,713

State's Contribution to Date to Liberty Fund.

Professor Samuel F. Emerson of the University of Vermont, chairman of the State library commission, and who has in charge the campaign to raise Vermont's share of the one million dollars to buy books for our soldiers and sailors, Friday sent a check for \$9,947.33 to the national commission at Washington, D. C. This amount does not represent, however, the full amount which Vermont has subscribed. Many of the towns in the state have sent their funds direct to Washington, because there was some misunderstanding about this matter. Professor Emerson has received word from the national commission which has this campaign in charge that \$1,666.01 from Vermont towns has already been received there, so that this brings Vermont's fund raised thus far up to \$10,713.54.



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GOVERNMENT SPENDS 30,000 EVERY MINUTE

War Costs Boost Payments to a Billion a Month

EXPENDITURES GROW

Treasury Officials Say That a Monthly Disbursement of Two Billion Is Expected.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Government expenditures of \$1,000,000,000 is the record which the month of October has established at the Treasury Department. The total which includes loans to the Allies may exceed even this huge sum, possibly by \$100,000,000.

Thus far it stands at \$985,342,387 with yesterday's spending not included. For the 23 working days thus far counted, it shows average expenditures of approximately \$42,600,000 daily or almost \$30,000 every minute of the day and night. Expenditures for last Friday, the latest record published, were \$98,975,948, but this was an unusual day considerably higher than the average though not by any means a record.

An increase in the daily expenditures is greater at the present time than it was a month ago and is steadily growing. It is thought that it will continue to grow. A \$2,000,000,000 monthly, officials assert, is not far off. It may be reached with the retirement of short time treasury certificates—to be met out of Liberty bond receipts by midwinter.

Expenditures for the fiscal year thus far reached the total of \$3,449,659,764 of which \$1,770,700,000, more than half, is represented by loans to the Allies. These loans and the interest upon them are to be repaid to the Government by the borrowers and, therefore, do not represent actual expense to the American people.

October's huge volume of funds paid out is made up as follows: For the army and navy, the Shipping Board, the Aircraft Production Board, the food administration, the maintenance of domestic government activities, \$295,296,200.

For interest on short time certificates of indebtedness and interest on the public debt, \$2,458,798.

For maintenance of the Panama canal, \$1,523,062.

For redemption of certificates of indebtedness issued in anticipation of Liberty bond receipts of the second issue, \$133,934,882.

For bonds, interest-bearing notes and certificates retired, \$200.

For the redemption of one-year Treasury notes, \$5,557,000.

For the retirement of national bank and Federal Reserve bank notes, \$1,872,265.

For loans to the Allies, \$440,200,000.

Totals, \$985,342,387.

THE "FOUR-MINUTE-MEN"

Will Not Address Audiences at Bennington Theatres.

Editor of The Banner: Announcement was made at the union service of the churches last night that it was expected "Four Minute Men" would speak in the local theatres during this week of the food pledge card campaign. The undersigned had no doubt such arrangement could be made—it is being done in moving picture theatres and others all over the country. In the Liberty loan campaign elsewhere the scheme was a great help, and equally good results were anticipated for the food conservation campaign.

The Vermont Committee of Public Safety through James P. Taylor, campaign manager, had requested that the plan be carried out in Bennington and other towns of the county as far as possible.

Mr. Hart, manager of the Hart theatre and the opera house, positively refuses to accede to the request of the local war work committee. He remarked to the writer, "I regard it as an imposition upon my patrons. They don't want this war talk."

The attempt was made to explain to him that four-minute speeches meant four-minute speeches, that representative and capable men stood ready to make them, that we especially desired to begin with Mr. Spargo tonight, who is probably to be away the rest of the week, and that these brief addresses related to just one thing—how we can co-operate with the government and support its special effort of the food administration to bring home to the American people their duty of saving and economy. But it was of no use.

Now the public can judge for itself whether it approves of that stand of the local manager of our theatres. The committee is very sorry for this failure of its plan.

George S. Mills.

ANNUAL RED CROSS REPORT

Bennington Branch Makes Excellent Year's Showing.

Following is the annual report of the Bennington Branch of the Vermont chapter of American Red Cross for the year ending September 30, 1917:

Received from subscriptions for local work \$4,039.79
Received from membership dues for local work 476.25
Total 4,516.04

Amount expended for local work 3,020.54

Cash on hand in Branch treasury 1,495.50

Red Cross War Fund total subscription and pledges to Branch 17,044.32

Less 25 per cent. deducted Estimated value of hospital dressings sent to Boston, N. E. Supply Service 4,261.08

Estimated value of garments sent to Burlington for Vermont soldiers 450.00

Estimated value of articles given to drafted men 150.00

Number of all dressings sent to Boston 7292

Number of all garments sent to Boston 714

Number of pajamas sent to Burlington 162

Number of comfort bags sent to Burlington 150

Number of "Housewives" sent to Burlington 150

Number of comfort bags given to drafted men 60

Number of Branch meetings held 5

Number of Executive committee meetings held 5

Annual Subscribing 1761

Contributing 111

Sustaining 37

Life of Patron 4

The membership record shows a total of 1919 and amount shown as received from membership dues is \$476.25. It should show \$479.75 but as books are closed to Oct. 1, it will be adjusted in next statement.

TWO AUTOMOBILES DAMAGED

One Lost a Wheel and Other Was Considerably Wrecked.

Two automobiles were damaged on West Main street Sunday evening. One lost a wheel when it went into the ditch and the other sustained considerable damage when it collided with a telephone pole.

Early in the evening an out-of-town Chevrolet ran into the ditch near the corner of McKinley street and pulled off a wheel. None of the occupants of the car were injured.

About 11 o'clock Andrew Hummer was on his way to his home at Old Bennington and had arrived at the site of the earlier accident when his steering gear gave way. The car ran directly across the street and banged into a telephone pole. Edward Le May, who was the only passenger, was considerably shaken up but was not injured. The driver likewise escaped without being hurt, but the car was badly damaged. The forward wheel was torn away, the windshield and the lights were smashed and the mudguards were twisted out of shape. The car, a Studebaker, was hauled to the Bennington garage for repairs.

READING BY MRS. GILCHRIST

Greatly Enjoyed at Meeting of Fort Nightly Saturday.

The Fortnightly club held its regular meeting Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the chapel of the Second Congregational church.

A good sized audience was present to enjoy a program of readings given by Halie Phillips Gilchrist who also read before the club last autumn. Her reading of the modern poetry is thoroughly enjoyable and her rendering of the group of four prize poems written by Sara Teasdale was the finest selection of the varied program given by Mrs. Gilchrist.

The next meeting of the club will be held on November 10th and the program will be in charge of the Arts and Crafts committee. It has been necessary to change the order of the next two meetings as Mrs. W. B. Walker, who has kindly offered to loan an exhibit of her Bennington pottery, sails for Florida on Nov. 16th, so that the program arranged for Nov. 24th is to be given on Nov. 10th. There will also be an exhibit of handwork of club members. Every one is asked to send at least one article that is the work of her own hands. Embroidery, knitting, canned fruits or vegetables, or handwork of any sort. The exhibit will be well worth while if there is a generous response to the appeal of the committee.

FINDS MAN DEAD IN JAIL

John McMahon Victim of Heart Failure Soon After Arrest.

Montpelier, Oct. 28.—John McMahon, aged 49 years, was found dead early yesterday morning in Washington county jail where he was committed at 9.30 o'clock Wednesday night for intoxication. Death was due to heart failure. He is survived by his parents, three brothers and one sister.

HOMER A. LYONS BAGS 2 BEARS IN TWO DAYS

Twentieth and 21st Prize in Local Trapper's Record

ONE SUNDAY, 1 TODAY

First Capture Made on Mountain East of Hell Hollow and Weighed About 150 Pounds.

Homer A. Lyons of this village, who has probably captured more bears than any man now living in this vicinity, has made his most remarkable record, two bears in two days. Sunday he bagged his 20th bear and today he reported his 21st. Mr. Lyons has not made much of an effort to trap this fall. The last legislature removed the bounty and the business is not so profitable as it used to be a few years ago. Nevertheless, he put out some traps from force of habit and Sunday made his first catch, a three-year-old female, weighing about 150 pounds. The first bear was trapped on the mountain east of Hell Hollow.

Early this morning Mr. Lyons telephoned to the village that he had made his second capture, making two bears in two days.

MARK CONFERENCE SITE

Tablet Where 1811-1824 M. E. Gatherings Were Held.

Barnard, Oct. 29, 1917.

An event of more than passing interest will take place here November 1 and 2 when a marker will be unveiled on the site of the first Methodist Episcopal church in Barnard and in the White River Valley where the 1811 and 1824 sessions of the New England conference were held. Bishop Francis Asbury presiding on the former occasion and Bishop Enoch George on the latter. The New England conference then covered New England and Barnard must have been an important point to be chosen twice as the seat of conference sessions.

The New England and Vermont conferences, the latter organized in 1845, are uniting in the celebration. An attractive program is promised, including the name of Rev. Dr. Timothy P. Frost, the speaker on Friday evening, November 2, one of the most distinguished Methodists of his time, a native Vermont, who within a month, has retired to make his future home in Bradford where he once served as pastor. For the last 14 years he has filled the very important pulpit of the First church at Evansville, Ind.

Another attractive name is that of Rev. W. M. Newton of Providence, R. I., a native of Barnard whose ancestors for three generations were interested in the Barnard church. After filling important appointments in the Vermont conference, he was transferred to the New England southern conference, where his success as a pastor on several churches has been noteworthy. He will give the historical address. A third name of much prominence is that of Rev. William Shaw, superintendent of the St. Johnsbury district, a native of England but regarded as the foremost member of the Vermont conference, having had the unusual honor of consecutive elections as a delegate to the quadrennial general conference of the denomination.

The modest house of worship whose erection 110 years ago, is the nominal cause of the present demonstration, stood for a type of heroism without which our most recent civilization and Christianity would not have existed.

Prominent in the large task of preparing for this event have been Rev. E. W. Sharp, of Brattleboro, superintendent of the Montpelier district who will preside at the various meetings, and Rev. Louis I. Holway, the gifted pastor of the church, a member of a prominent Massachusetts Methodist family, who is earnestly alive to the importance of the most rural church, and of commemorating the deeds of the fathers in rural fields.

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WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York and western Vermont probably rain tonight and Tuesday. Colder Tuesday.

LOAN TOTAL IS \$700,500 IN BENNINGTON

This Is \$56,500 Above District Minimum

OVER FIVE BILLIONS

No Complete Figures as yet but Bank Officials Confident of Reaching the Maximum.

Liberty bond subscriptions in Bennington this morning reached a total of \$700,500, or \$56,500 above the maximum.

This is probably pretty near the final total though there may be a few more signed applications that have not been turned in.

Among the local banks the North Bennington bank leads with a total of \$224,500 made through that bank. Since the report of Saturday the largest amount reported was at North Bennington though the savings bank added \$10,000 Saturday afternoon.

Just before one o'clock Saturday the savings bank was deluged by nearly 100 subscribers from among the girls at the Black Cat mill.

The owners of the Black Cat mill bought \$100,000 of bonds and of these took \$25,000 through Bennington, and making the other subscriptions where their other mills are located.

Washington, Oct. 29.—The total amount subscribed to the second Liberty loan, the treasury department announced last night, is still "a matter of speculation." Several days probably will elapse before the full extent of the nation's subscriptions is ascertained. The department was without figures last night showing any change in the estimated totals, other than in the New York district. New York's maximum of \$1,500,000,000, reported Saturday night to have been exceeded, it was said last night, might be increased by later returns to as much as \$1,750,000,000. Previous estimates had placed the total at approximately \$1,650,000,000 or \$100,000,000 less than last night's estimate.

Returns received at the treasury yesterday gave little indication as to the final result. The department announced last night, "On the face of returns it cannot be said whether the sale exceeded \$2,000,000,000. Conviction is general, however, that it probably approximated the maximum total. Banks, of course, have made no effort to tabulate all their returns and may not do so till the final day for reporting, November 1. Obviously, great changes may be made in the total between now and Thursday."

"It seems certain that every district has gone well past its minimum and that several will exceed their maximum sufficiently to carry the general total New York, Chicago, Cleveland and San Francisco were showing especially strong in the late returns. How far New York will go over its maximum is a matter of conjecture. Some think that the excess may reach \$250,000,000. Chicago district chairmen have begun to feel that their total may reach the maximum of \$700,000,000. Every message yesterday from Chicago showed new increases."

"Every state in our district has exceeded its minimum allotment," the Minneapolis district reported. "Many townships have sold bonds to every family. Large manufacturing establishments have sold bonds to every employee. Some of the former most rapid German sympathizers, including ministers, are now staunch supporters of the government and for the last week have been soliciting sales."

"Indiana have subscribed \$3,500,750 according to latest reports by Cato Sells, commissioner of Indian affairs."

Figures now in show that the army has sustained something over \$82,000,000. About \$50,000,000 has been allocated by soldiers to the federal reserve bank at New York. General Pershing cables that \$5,754,500 has been subscribed by the American expeditionary forces in France.

MUST MAIL PRESENTS EARLY

Only Parcels Reaching Hoboken Before Dec. 4, Will Be Sent to France.

Washington, Oct. 28.—The war department made public today rules governing the handling by mail and express of Christmas presents for the members of the American expeditionary forces in France. An officer of the army will be stationed at Hoboken, N. J., as forwarding agent, and will arrange for the delivery of the packages, in co-operation with the Postmaster and express company officials in New York city.